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Via ECF

Hon. Loretta Preska
United States District Court Judge
Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street
New York, NY 10007

Re: United States v. Shukhrat Abdullaev, et al., 22 Cr. 614 (LAP)

Dear Judge Preska:

John Diaz, Esq. and I represent defendant Shukhrat Abdullaev on the above referenced matter, having been appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Justice Act. On March 7, 2022, I was initially appointed to the case as a mentee in the SDNY CJA Mentoring Program at the rate of \$103 per hour. However, on January 1, 2024, I was appointed to the CJA Panel in the Southern District. With this development, I respectfully request to raise my current payment rate to the full CJA rate of \$172.00 per hour, nunc pro tunc, to January 1, 2024.

The Court's time and attention to this request is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cory Garcia

Cory Garcia, Esq.

The CJA rate of \$172.00 per hour is approved as of January 1, 2024. SO ORDERED.

Date: 01/25/2024

Loretta A. Preska

LORETTA A. PRESKA
Senior United States District Judge